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SUBJ: INCREASED SECURITY MEASURES FOR EMBASSY NAIROBI

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- 1. IN DISCUSSION WITH POLICE COMMISSIONER BERNARD HINGA HE EXPRESSED GOK'S WILLINGNESS TO PROVIDE HOURS-OF DARKNESS ARMED PLAIN CLOTHES COVERAGE ON AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE WITH POLICE RADIO CAPABILITY BACKED UP BY ROVING PATROL CAR IN AREA. HOWEVER, GOK UNWILLING SUPPLY FOLLOW CAR AS REQUESTED ON GROUNDS OF THEIR LIMITED RESOURCES AND CONCERN THAT GOVERNMENTS OF OTHER COUNTRIES INVOLVED IN AIR FRANCE HIJACKING AFFAIR MAY MAKE SIMILAR REQUESTS. HINGA DID EXPRESS WILLINGNESS TO RE-EXAMINE PROBLEM SHOULD MORE DEFINITE HARD THREAT DEVELOP.
- 2. AT PRESENT AMB'S VEHICULAR MOVEMENTS ARE BEING COVERED BY EMBASSY FOLLOW CAR DRIVEN BY MSG AND MANNED BY ARMED RSO. IN VIEW OF CONTINUING SITUATION SWC RECOMMENDED, AND AMB CONCURRED, THAT DEPT BE ALERTED TO POSSIBLE REQUIREMENT FOR SY PROTECTIVE TEAM TO BE ASSIGNED TO NAIROBI. TEAM SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT BE SENT AT PRESENT. EMBASSY WILL ADVISE WITHIN TWO DAYS WHETHER TEAM REQUIRED.
- 3. IN ADDITION TO VEHICULAR ESCORT AND GOK RESIDENCE SECURITY CITED ABOVE, FOLLOWING MEASURES IN EFFECT:

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A. AMBASSADOR ARMED.

- B. 1800 TO 0600 MSG ON DUTY INSIDE RESIDENCE.C. WORKING HOURS MSG POST MAINTAIN IN GROUND FLOOR CONSULAR SECTION.
- D. ARMED RSO ACCOMPANYING AMB AT PUBLIC APPEARANCES.

4. TWO OF FOUR TDY MSG'S REQUESTED HAVE ARRIVED ON BOA	ARD.
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